

WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1907.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEET

Programme Announced for
Coming Convention.

OPENING SESSION TO-MORROW

Many City Pastors Scheduled to
Take Part in Meetings to Be Held
at Calvary Baptist Church—Sub-
jects of Interest to District of
Columbia Workers to Be Discussed.

The various committees in charge of the preparations for the fourteenth annual convention of the Sunday School Association of the District of Columbia, which will open at Calvary Baptist Church Monday evening and continue through Tuesday and Wednesday, have completed their work and are looking forward with confidence that the meeting will be the most successful in the history of the association.

The following committee appointments have been announced in addition to those previously reported:

Appliances and equipment, Mrs. James E. West; usher, Edward Tarring, Curtis I. Dolly; press, W. W. Millan, W. W. Greene.

The official programme of the convention has been mailed to superintendents of all the schools in the association for the use of delegates.

The formal opening of the convention will be preceded by a half-hour of singing service, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, under the direction of Page L. Zimmerman, with Marguerite Allen as organist, Miss Florence Kling pianist, a choir of thirty voices, and an orchestra of sixteen pieces. The choir will render the anthem "Hark, Hark, My Soul" during the preliminary song service, and Dudley Buck's Te Deum during the regular programme of the first session.

The Opening Session.

At 8 o'clock the convention will be called to order by the president of the association, W. W. Millan, and will be opened with devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. William French Locke, pastor of Mount Vernon Place Methodist Episcopal Church South. The annual report and address of the president will follow.

The executive committee has ordered this report to be printed for general distribution, and that it shall include the matter heretofore embraced in the reports of the treasurer and the field worker.

The other speakers at this session are Hon. Henry B. Macfarland, first vice president of the association, and Rev. Charles Roads, secretary of the Maryland Sunday School Association. Mr. Roads will take for his theme "Ideals of Sunday-school work already attained."

At this session the president will announce the committees on resolutions and on nomination of officers. The session will close with prayer and benediction by Rev. S. H. Woodrow, D. D., of the First Congregational Church.

On Tuesday two sessions will be held. The afternoon session, opening at 2:30 o'clock, will be devoted to the consideration of problems relating to the work of the primary department of the Sunday school. Mrs. Amy May Gray, president of the Primary Teachers' Union, will preside. The programme at this session is as follows: Beginners' lesson, taught by Miss Marietta Stockard, training teacher of the Washington Kindergarten Normal School; beginners' music by Mrs. W. H. Hoeke and a class from Calvary Baptist Sunday school; address on work among the foreign children of Washington, by Mrs. William D. Windom; the lesson for November 2, taught by Mrs. H. B. Moulton; blackboard illustration by Miss Hilda North; address, "Junior Work," by Mr. C. C. Pearce, of Chicago, secretary of the adult and teacher training departments of the International Sunday School Association.

Tuesday Evening Session.

At the Tuesday evening session the preliminary song service, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, will be under the direction of Mr. George A. Prevost, with Miss Jessie Young as organist and Mrs. W. W. Gilbert as pianist.

Mr. Pearce will speak on "The organized class movement" at this session, and the report of the committee on nominations will be received, followed by the election of the officers and members of the executive committee for the ensuing year, with twelve delegates to the twelfth international convention, which will be held in Louisville, Ky., in June, 1908. The auditing committee will report at this session.

The Wednesday morning session, opening at 9 o'clock, will be devoted to the consideration of the work of the home department of the Sunday school, and will be presided over by Mrs. E. M. Newton, president of the District of Columbia Home Department Union, who will submit her annual report.

The report of the secretary, Mrs. Washington Topham, will also be presented. Mr. Pearce will speak on the topic, "The home department—how to make it go." A home department question box will be opened.

The programme for the Wednesday afternoon session is: Conference on music, by the adult department and teacher training, conducted by Mr. Pearce; address, "Our organized class and some plans to help them," Prof. Mitchell Carroll, of George Washington University, teacher of the Young Men's Class of Calvary Baptist Sunday school; address, "The Sunday school and the missionary movement," Rev. C. E. Guthrie, pastor of Hamline Methodist Church; address, "Glimpses of Sunday school work in foreign lands," Mrs. W. B. Crafts; address, "Approved Workmen—how secured," Mr. Pearce.

Address by Mr. Pearce.

At the closing session on Wednesday evening, Mr. Pearce will speak on "World-wide Sunday school work," and the report of the committee on resolution will be received and considered. At the close of the regular proceedings of the convention a reception and social meeting will be held in the lecture room and the Sunday school house of Calvary Church. During this function the orchestra will render a programme of secular music.

The work of the committee on music, of which James A. MacElwaine is chairman, has been carefully performed and an elaborate musical programme for each session has been arranged. Prominent soloists will render selections at the several sessions as follows: Miss Lydia Richards Hughes, Monday evening; Mrs. Nellie Shore, Tuesday afternoon; Miss Jessie Harnesberger, Tuesday evening; Miss Bertha Burt, Wednesday morning; Mrs. B. H. Smart, Wednesday afternoon; Mrs. Ralph P. Barnard, Wednesday evening.

Clergymen who will assist with devotional exercises, in addition to those mentioned for the first session, are Rev. George A. Miller and Rev. W. J. Houck.

Tuesday afternoon, Rev. John Compton Ball and Rev. Russell Verbrugghe, Tuesday evening, Rev. John T. Huddle and Rev. J. W. Smith, Wednesday morning, Rev. George Ellsworth Whitehouse and Rev. H. W. Pratt, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. T. O. Crouse, D. D., and Rev. Robert M. Moore, D. D., Wednesday evening.

A. S. SOLOMONS 81 YEARS OLD.

Aged Legislator and Public Servant
Celebrates Anniversary.

A. S. Solomons, of 126 K street northwest, celebrated his eighty-first birthday anniversary last night. His six daughters and one grandchild were present, and a number of friends called. It was an informal gathering. He also received many notes and telegrams during the day.

Mr. Solomons was a member of the National Guard, and was appointed a special messenger to Prussia by Daniel Webster, who was then Secretary of State. He was one of the incorporators of the National Association of the Red Cross, and served as a delegate to the international convention of the Red Cross at Geneva in 1881.

Mr. Solomons was also connected with the founding of many charitable institutions. During the civil war he was Public Printer. He was one of the directors and treasurer of the Columbia University Hospital, and a director of Providence Hospital. He was also a member of the District of Columbia house of representatives.

FIGHT OVER BOYCOTT

Baker Renews Legal Attack
on Labor Unions.

SAYS BUSINESS WAS RUINED

John Bender, Who Adopted "Open Shop" Principles, Accuses Unions of
Having Influenced His Trade to
Deal Elsewhere—Court Will Hear
Argument To-morrow.

An important case involving the legality of the so-called boycott, as practiced by labor unions, is set for hearing to-morrow before Justice Gould, in Equity Court No. 2.

In this case a permanent restraining order is asked by John Bender, a baker, against the Central Labor Union and the local bakers' union.

The case was presented to the court in the fall of last year, on a bill and answer for preliminary injunction to restrain the Central Labor Union and various officers of the bakers' local union from boycotting the complainant. It was heard on the preliminary motion, and Judge Stafford held that, while the application for preliminary injunction should be denied, there were matters stated in the bill which, if pursued to their logical conclusion, might entitle Mr. Bender to the relief he desired.

Mr. Bender's counsel thereupon produced forty witnesses, a number of whom have related that they had been approached by union men who advised them that, by continuing their trading with Mr. Bender they would lose the patronage of all union sympathizers. The attorneys also furnished circulars promulgated by labor organizations denouncing Bender's attitude and calling upon citizens of the District to refrain from dealing with him because he was alleged to be unfair to union labor.

Mr. Bender contends that he lost more than 40 per cent of his business after he started to conduct his establishment on "open shop" principles. He also asserts in his bill the right to run his business in accordance with his views, and not the views of the union, and to employ whom he pleases at such wages as he sees fit, whether they be union men or non-union men.

It is authoritatively stated that the cause will be carried to the courts in full resort, in order that the law in the District of Columbia may be fully established and the status of operators respecting employees definitely settled.

Mr. Bender is represented by William B. Andrews and John Eldout, and the defendants by Mr. Leon Tobiner.

The Capitol Hill Club met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. R. B. Bare, with seventeen members present. Mrs. D. J. Roberts read an interesting paper on "Hieroglyphics and the literature of Egypt," and roll call brought out many interesting facts on the same subject.

The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Cochran. Friday evening twelve ladies of the club entertained the club members, their husbands, and a few friends at a chicken pie supper at the home of Mrs. Joseph Dague. Limericks were read at the table, in place of toasts, and after the supper games and an informal social time were enjoyed.

Theological Society Meetings.

The regular meeting of the Blavatky Branch, T. S. A., was held at 2015 L street northwest on Thursday evening last. The subject, "What is salvation," was discussed by members and visitors. It was shown that man saves himself through purity of life and unselfishness, working out his own salvation through self-induced effort, extending through many earth lives until he is born again into the spiritual world, the mystical birth of Jesus. The theological view of salvation drew forth many expressions of benefit and enlightenment from visitors. The subject, next Thursday, October 31, at 8 o'clock, will be "The purpose of theosophy."

Lunch Room to Aid Church.

The Sign of the Fox Lunch Room, 724 Seventeenth street northwest, will be open at night, beginning to-morrow, until November 2, inclusive, the proceeds of which will be given to the building fund of the Church of the Nativity. This is donated by Miss McKellip.

PEOPLE BUY HOMES

Real Estate Suffers Little in
Financial Flurry.

CONVEYANCES GO ON RECORD

Building Operations Progress Rapidly
Under Favorable Weather Conditions—Savings Bank Preparing to
Build—Activity in Suburban Property
on Sixteenth Street.

While real estate brokers are feeling the effect of the financial flurry in New York, the majority of the offices visited yesterday were active, and a fair amount of business was reported. Several firms say their sales and rentals this month would not indicate that there was such a thing in the world as Wall street or a decline in stocks. Some take the view that disturbance in the speculative market helps the sale of real estate for investment.

Yesterday's record of the conveyances of property was one of the longest of the year, and examination shows that almost all the records are of recent dates. They represent the sales of residences and some few building lots that have been purchased during the past week or two. This indication of activity in real estate is a fair barometer.

Building Operations Brisk.

Building operations are moving forward energetically, helped by the fine weather of the past week, and next month will see many new buildings finished and occupied for the first time. This is particularly the case in the banking section, and many of the fine houses which have been under construction in various parts of the city are rapidly being made ready for their occupants.

Architects report a large number of commissions for plans for new structures, and they say that the next season will be one of the most active in the building line. During the civil war he was Public Moore & Hill report the past week a busy one, both in sales and rents. They recently sold the major portion of the new houses erected by Thomas H. Pickford at the northeast corner of Fourteenth and G streets southeast. The price paid for the houses was \$3,200 each, most of the purchasers occupying them as homes. The dwellings are handsome two-story bricks of the six-room and bath variety, and have furnaces, cellars, and front and rear porches.

Bank Will Build Home.

The Washington Mechanics' Savings Bank, located at 308 Eighth street southeast, has purchased the property at the northeast corner of Eighth and G streets southeast, and in a short time will begin the erection of a permanent banking home. Bids have been invited for the building, and as now planned the structure will be three stories high, with the first floor for banking purposes and the two upper stories for a series of office suites. The entire improvement, when completed, will have cost about \$5,000.

The Washington Mechanics' Savings Bank was organized April 11, 1906, with a capital of \$15,000, which has since been increased to \$20,000. The assets of the bank are now about \$5,000.

Negotiations for the purchase of the bank site were conducted through Joseph D. Sullivan, attorney for the bank, aided by a committee of the directors. The officers and directors are: Ezra Gould, president; Hon. H. E. Daugherty, vice president; G. H. Bagby, secretary-treasurer; Joseph D. Sullivan, attorney; Edmund S. Wolfe, auditor; Mortimer H. Acheson, R. H. Bagby, George Hayes, Hon. H. E. Daugherty, William M. Dove, Henry C. Emerich, Joseph D. Sullivan, Ezra Gould, Andrew Johnson, Jr., Jesse B. Lee, Charles C. Love, P. B. Ryan, Charles H. Squier, John P. F. White, John Scott Johnson, and Edmund S. Wolfe.

Lots Selling at Argyle Park.

Activity has been experienced in the sale of building sites at Argyle Park, along Piney Branch road. One-third of this subdivision has been sold within the past week. Argyle Park embraces all the land north of Decatur street between Piney Branch road and Rock Creek Park.

S. T. Cameron, who purchased from Thomas Bladen that portion of the Argyle tract for Saul's addition westward to a point beyond Sixteenth street extended, and northward beyond Bladen avenue, has subdivided the ground, facing on Sixteenth street, with its usual width of one hundred and sixty feet from building line to building line, and along the east side of Bladen avenue.

Willie, Gibbs & Daniel, who are agents for the property, report one sale aggregating 30,000 feet of ground, the sale price approximately \$8,000. Other sales were consummated during the week. Some lots are fifty feet wide by a depth ranging from ninety to one hundred and fifty feet, and were sold at prices ranging from thirty-five cents to sixty-five cents a square foot. It is the intention of three of the purchasers to procure plans for fine residences to be erected as soon as the spring building season opens. Others have purchased for prospective homes, and in several instances for investment.

It is assured that the bridge now under construction on Sixteenth street across Piney Branch will, with its approaches, be completed this year, and Sixteenth street will be graded and macadamized as far north as the Piney Branch road. This will provide a wide avenue connecting Argyle Park with the city.

Annual Church Social.

The annual church social and reception held at the First Baptist Church, Sixteenth and O streets northwest, last evening, was greatly enjoyed by a large and appreciative gathering of its members and friends. The decorations were palms, chrysanthemums, dahlias, and autumn leaves. An interesting programme was arranged, participated in by Miss Grace Beelman, cornetist; Miss Stowell, vocal soloist; Mrs. Eugene Tilden, elocutionist, and selections on the mandolin and guitar by Prof. Walter Holt and Mr. Gallacher. Dr. George C. Samson was the master of ceremonies, and at the close of the programme presented the pastor, Dr. C. F. Winbiger, with a beautiful anniversary cake upon the close of his five years' pastorate, to which he responded with a few appropriate remarks.

Pretty Girl Adrift on Ocean.

A handsome sailing vessel, deserted, except for one beautiful girl, was overhauled off the coast by life-savers. What was the girl doing alone on the ocean? S. R. Crockett thrillingly relates her story in "The Iron Lord," a great novel for which this paper has acquired first publication rights, and which will appear serially in these columns, beginning Friday, November 1, before it is issued in book form.

Store Policy: "Kindliness."

A store may have a big stock—a well-selected stock. It may have efficient salesmen. It may put on its goods prices something below the average—yet there may be something lacking.

Not courtesy—for that is a business consideration, nowadays—but that something which, for lack of a more commercial term, we will call "Kindliness."

How do we understand kindness?—A desire to see a transaction from the customer's viewpoint as well as our own—a wish to construe the *spirit* as well as the *letter* of a business transaction—a sense of fairness—a willingness to be liberal—a leaning *toward* rather than from the prompt adjustment of dissatisfaction, even where we feel the fault is not ours.

We have trained all our people in this way of "Kindliness," and we purpose holding steadfastly to this plank in our business platform.

A Notable Carpet and Rug Sale



The most remarkable Carpet and Rug Sale we have ever held will start to-morrow.

In the Carpets the patterns offered are entirely new, but are such which the mills will discontinue making and which we cannot reorder: what we have on hand now are odd pieces.

In some of the hall patterns there is not enough stair to go with them, and in some of the stair patterns there is not enough hall to match; there are also floor patterns to which there are no borders. The values offered in this sale are unmatched anywhere else in town.

In the Rugs will be found many exceptional bargains.

We earnestly urge every woman in Washington to attend this sale, as the savings average from one-half to one-third.

CARPETS SEWED, LAID, AND LINED FREE.

Carpets.

1 Hall Pattern Velvet Carpet (1 piece), 19 yards. Yard.....	\$1.15
1 Hall Pattern Velvet Carpet (1 piece), 23 yards. Yard.....	\$1.20
1 Stair Pattern Velvet Carpet (1 piece), 53½ yards. Yard.....	\$1.25
1 Stair Pattern Velvet Carpet (1 piece), 14 yards. Yard.....	\$1.10
1 Floor Pattern Hartford 10-wire Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 67½ yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Floor Pattern Hartford 10-wire Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 43½ yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Floor Pattern Hartford 10-wire Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 31 yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Hall Pattern Hartford 10-wire Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 43½ yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Hall Pattern Hartford 10-wire Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 35½ yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Hall Pattern Hartford 10-wire Tapestry Brussels (2 pieces), 39 yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Stair Pattern Hartford 10-wire Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 35 yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Best Tapestry Brussels (2 pieces), 64 yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Best Tapestry Brussels (3 pieces), 54½ yards; 49 yards; 21½ yards. Yard.....	98c
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Best Tapestry Brussels (2 pieces), 45½ yards; 62½ yards. Yard.....	98c

Carpets.

1 Floor Pattern Sanford's Extra Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 37 yds. Yard.....	80c
1 Floor Pattern Sanford's Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 19 yards. Yard.....	70c
1 Floor Pattern Hartford 3-star Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 29 yards. Yard.....	65c
1 Floor Pattern Hartford 3-star Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 17 yds. Yard.....	58c
1 Floor Pattern Smith's B. Pallade Tapestry Brussels (1 piece), 18½ yards. Yard.....	85c
1 Floor Pattern Smith's B. Pallade Tapestry Brussels (2 pieces), 13½ yards; 7½ yards. Yard.....	70c
1 Pattern Roxbury Tapestry Brussels (2 pieces), 22½ yards; 48½ yards; with borders to match. Yard.....	\$1.08
5 Floor Patterns Glenwood Tapestry Brussels. Yard.....	62c
1 Pattern Highspire Tapestry Brussels. Yard.....	58c
4 Pattern Rex Tapestry Brussels (some with borders and halls and stairs to match). Yard.....	68c
1 Floor Pattern Moquette (2 pieces), 28½ yards; 29½ yards. Yard.....	\$1.08
1 Floor Pattern Mottled Moquette (3 pieces), 17½ yds.; 15½ yds.; 12 yds. Yard.....	98c
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Axminster (2 pieces), 13½ yards; 8½ yards. Yard.....	\$1.10
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Axminster (1 piece), 12 yards. Yard.....	\$1.00
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Axminster (1 piece), 31 yards. Yard.....	\$1.15

Carpets.

1 Floor Pattern Smith's Axminster (1 piece), 16 yards. (Border to match.) Yard.....	\$1.10
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Extra Axminster (1 piece), 21 yards. Yard.....	\$1.25
1 Floor Pattern Hartford Axminster (3 pieces), 42½ yards; 33½ yards; 42½ yards. (Border to match.) Yard.....	\$1.45
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Axminster (1 piece), 16 yards. Yard.....	\$1.10
1 Floor Pattern Smith's Axminster (2 pieces), 15 yards; 18½ yards. Yard.....	\$1.10
1 Floor Pattern Middlesex Axminster (1 piece), 21 yards. Yard.....	\$1.15
1 Floor Pattern Velvet Carpet (1 piece), 19 yards. (Border to match.) Yard.....	\$1.20
1 Floor Pattern Velvet Carpet (2 pieces), 13 yards; 27 yards. Yard.....	\$1.20
1 Floor Pattern Velvet Carpet (1 piece), 19 yards. Yard.....	\$1.20
1 Floor Pattern Velvet Carpet (1 piece), 34 yards. Yard.....	\$1.25
1 Floor Pattern Velvet Carpet (1 piece), 16 yards. Yard.....	\$1.15

Rugs.

4 Pattern 9x12 Tapestry Brussels.....	\$15.75
1 Pattern 8x10.6 Tapestry Brussels.....	\$13.85
4 Pattern 9x10.6 Tapestry Brussels.....	\$16.50
2 Pattern 9x12 Velvet.....	\$19.50
4 Pattern 6x9 Tapestry Brussels.....	\$7.50
5 Pattern 9x12 Wilton.....	\$37.00
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Isaid Linoleum.....80c square yard	

On account of the extraordinary low prices we are quoting on these carpets, pieces of 25 yards or less will not be cut.

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Seventh and I (Eye) Streets N. W.

RUEF'S SYSTEM OF GRAFT

Public Health and Morals Sold to
Those Who Would Pay.Writer Uncovered Terrible Condi-
tions in Unfortunate San Fran-
cisco's Recent History.

George Kennan's article on "Criminal Government" in the November McClure's shows how San Francisco was governed by criminals who succeeded in undermining the morals of a whole city. Mr. Kennan says:

"In many cases, apparently, the executive boards adopted vexatious, harassing, or impossible regulations for the sole purpose of bringing pressure to bear upon business men who refused or neglected to pay. The board of health, for example, held up milk dealers by insisting upon the observance of wholly impracticable and almost fantastic rules with regard to cleanliness; but when the milkmen formed an association, engaged E. P. Moran, a lawyer of Mr. Ruef's selection, as their counsel, and began to pay regular tribute, they were allowed to conduct their business as they chose, without reference to the rules of the board or health of the public.

"A similar policy was pursued in dealing with owners of theaters and proprietors of music halls, except that, in this case, the hold-up was made by means of building regulations and fire ordinances. Men who gave Mr. Ruef 30 per cent of their net profits, or one-third of their capital stock, were permitted to disregard all the regulations for the safeguarding of morals and all the laws for the protection of life.

Compass Applied to Pants.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.
"How are you, Mr. Smith; how is that son of yours making it with his new motor bicycle?"

"Oh, he had quite a tumble the other day," replied Mr. Smith. "He was speeding at about forty miles an hour along a rough macadam road, when all of a sudden the darn machine stopped stone still, but my son kept on going from the momentum and slid along the road for about fifty feet before he could stop himself."

"You don't say! Did it hurt your son?"

"No; it didn't hurt him to speak of, but he tore the west side of his pants."

"Tore the what?"

"Tore the west side of his pants."

"Well, in the name of whizzing wheels, what side of your son's pants is the west side?"

"Why, the side the son sets on."

OBJECT-LESSON TO WOMEN

Venture Into Trade Teaches Them
to Pay Bills Promptly.Being Creditors Themselves Shows
Them Just How Badly the
Shoe Can Pinch.

When some of England's titled women, having more title than money, took their courage in both hands and resolved to go into trade it caused, no doubt, some horror in conservative quarters. All the same, says the New York Tribune, the innovation has had one excellent result. Innovation has been the benefit to the individual adventures on the commercial sea. It has cured some rich women of the bad habit of keeping the dressmaker waiting a year or two for her pay.

Somebody, commenting in an English paper on that same bad habit, said it came from lack of imagination on the part of the women who sinned. In the old days they did not realize the suffering their thoughtlessness caused and it was not brought before them. There was no plain speaking then between employer and employed. But now Lady M. tells Lady N. who buys dresses of her, how she, the employed, has to pay on the spot for the lace and tulle, and so forth, that she buys for her customers, and how, if she is kept waiting for her checks she may have to raise money at ruinous rates of interest to pay her bills. Lady X, who has a brick-draw shop, confides in the same sort of Lady Y, and Lady Z, whom she knows socially as well as commercially, and for the first time it dawns upon these wealthy women that what is more carelessness on their part might mean disaster to another.

American women are by no means guileless in that respect, and they never had the excuse that English women formerly had—the excuse of not knowing the conditions of trade.

Then He Had to Buy.

From the New York Tribune.
"I like simplicity," said Senator Beveridge. "Simplicity saves us a lot of trouble, too."

"Two men met in front of the Blank Hotel the other day and fell into a political argument."

"Every-day sort of men, but one of them had an extraordinary flow of polysyllabic language. He talked half an hour, and his companion listened in a daze."

"And now," the speaker pompously concluded, "perhaps you will coincide with me."

"The other's face brightened up."

"Why, yes; thanks, old man," he answered heartily, moving toward the bar-room door, "don't care if I do."

CONTROL PUBLIC UTILITIES

Five Rich Men Have Revolutionized
Modern City Life.Elkins, Dolan, Whitney, Widener,
and Ryan Own More Urban Con-
veniences than All Others.

In the last twenty-five years large fortunes have been made in the United States by the exploitation of great public utilities, writes Burton T. Hendrick in the November McClure's. In that brief period the developments of modern science have completely revolutionized urban and rural life. Discoveries in gas and electric illumination have transformed the faintly flickering cities of a generation ago into nightly blazes of light; the all-penetrating trolley car has linked city with city and knit whole States into social and economic entities.

As a result of these improvements, every city has had its traction speculators; nearly every one can point to its traction millionaires. As usual, however, the richest opportunities have fallen to the lot of a few energetic men. Far outdistancing all their rivals in the magnitude of their operations and the fortunes realized, are the five men popularly and somewhat loosely known as the Widener, Elkins-Dolan-Whitney-Ryan Syndicate. If we were to assess under a few names the wealth and influence represented by the public utility corporations in the United States, these five men would have a larger share than any other group. In the last thirty years, working separately or working together, they have entered, in Chicago, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and at least one hundred cities and towns in Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Ohio, Indiana, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Maine.

Upon them at least 10,000,000 people, or one-eighth of the nation's population, are dependent for such daily needs as electric transit, and gas and electric lighting."

A Village in a Tenement.

Montangore is near Palermo, on the sunny earth of Sicily, but half of Montangore is here, in one of the first tenements that one passes in Macdonald street on turning down from the square, says the New York Sun. It is a colony within a colony—Italy reproducing itself in Little Italy even to the minute feature of a village. The tenement that holds it could be called Little Montangore, with its two score families of wrinkled, dimpled, limping, creeping, running, laboring Montangoreans.

ACTRESSES IN ARTISTIC FEUD

Ellen Terry Discusses Her Rivalry
with Mrs. Kendal.Claims Victory in Shakespeare, but
Leaves More Homely Plays to
Her Contemporary.

Miss Terry, in the latest chapter of her autobiography, in the November McClure's, taking a fling at Mrs. Grundy's rumor that she and Mrs. Kendal were jealous of each other. "Speaking of her great triumph as Portia, she says:

"Not for years afterward did I find out that I was not the 'first choice' for Portia. The Bancrofts had tried the Kendals first, with the idea of making a double engagement; but the negotiations failed. Perhaps the rivalry between Mrs. Kendal and me might have become of more significance had she appeared as Portia at the Prince of Wales' and preferred Shakespeare to domestic comedy. In after years she played Rosalind (oh, Madge, I do owe you one for that! I never did), and quite recently acted with me in 'Merry Wives of Windsor'; but the best of her fame will always be associated with such plays as 'The Squire,' 'The Ironmaster,' 'Lady Clanquhar,' and many more. When she played with me in Shakespeare, she laughingly challenged me to come and play with her in a modern piece, a domestic play, and I said, 'Done!' but it has not been done yet. I found her wonderful to act with. No other English actress has such extraordinary skill. Of course, people have said we are jealous of each other. 'Ellen Terry Acts with Lifelong Enemy,' proclaimed an American newspaper in five-inch type, when we played together as Mistress Page and Mistress Ford in Mr. Tree's Coronation production of 'Merry Wives of Windsor.' But the enmity did not seem to worry us as much as the newspaper men over the Atlantic had represented."

"It was during this engagement in 1902 that a young actor who was watching us coming in at the stage door at His Majesty's one day is reported to have said: 'Look at Mr. Tree between his two stars.'"